

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Celebration of The Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Thursday: 12:00 noon

Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month
By appointment only.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance.
An approved preparation course is mandatory.

Parish School

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - May 10, 2026



May 12th – May 16th

- Tuesday - †
- Wednesday - Anthony Gomes †
- Thursday - Fernan Gomez †
- Friday - Lucia Bouchard †
- Saturday - Peter Vandehogen †

READINGS FOR – May 17th

- 1st Reading: Acts 8.5-8, 14-17
- 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3.15-18
- Gospel: John 14.15-21



THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

“During the month of May we seek the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of Hope, and ask her to help us see with the eyes of faith and devotion: the beauty and splendour of God in our midst and in the world.

I encourage you to take the time to get to know Our Lady better by reading about her, talking to her and seeking her help.”
His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo

PAPAL CHARITIES

Second Collection May 17th

This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter’s Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need. Two-thirds is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the universal Church.



MACGREGOR ORDERS

Delivery date May 11th in the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. Please bring your own bags.



Lord, thank you for the gift of mothers.

Thank you for their nurturing care, sacrificial love and the strength you give them daily. Bless them with your peace and joy, and help us to honour them with our words and actions, not just today, but every day. We also remember mothers who have passed away, those who are far away, and those who have challenging relationships with their children. We pray for comfort for those who are grieving and healing for those who are hurting. May your love be a source of strength for every mother and mother-figure. Lord, bless all mothers today and always and strengthen them with your grace and love. Amen.

LEGION OF MARY 25th Anniversary of Our Lady of the Good Shepherd Praesidium



For twenty-five years, the members of our Praesidium have faithfully served the parish community under the guidance of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Legionaries have generously offered their time and talents in service to Christ and His Church. As we mark this joyful milestone, we give thanks to God for the dedication of past and present members, and we pray for continued growth in faith, unity, and service. We warmly invite all parishioners to join us in celebrating this special occasion.

Date: May 23, 2026

Mass: 4:30pm

Living Rosary: 5:30pm

Reception: Following Living Rosary

Location: Good Shepherd Church Hall

The Word This Week

"I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate."

By now we are some distance away from Easter, but the season is still permeated with the Easter message: Christ is risen, we are baptized in him. But today a new dimension of the story comes out: Easter is not complete until the risen Lord has returned to the Father and sent the Holy Spirit.

Immersed in divine presence, we are nurtured, affirmed and blessed. Living in love, and transformed by that love, we are empowered to "proclaim the Christ." It is both amazing and refreshing to contemplate this powerful love. The love modelled by Jesus directs and informs our practice as disciples. It is a generous love that recognizes and welcomes all despite all our differences.

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you forever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows Him, but you know Him, because He is with you, He is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you."



A bequest in your Will to our Church is an acknowledgment of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime. Charitable bequests can have a favorable impact on your overall estate plan. Bequests are NOT just for the wealthy! Consider including your parish or any of the archdiocesan charities or departments in your Will. Let your Will reflect your Catholic values.

We have a free *estate planning guide* to help you make your plan. Please contact us at Development@archtoronto.org for a list of Catholic estate advisors in your area. Remember about the importance of using the *correct legal names* when arranging bequests or other legacy gifts.

**PENTECOST TAIZE
PRAYER SERVICE
Tuesday May 19th
7:00 p.m.**



You are invited to a Taize Prayer Service and Social in anticipation of Pentecost. It will be great to pray together, and then enjoy fellowship in the hall later.

**Bundle Up
For the Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul!**

**May 30th 9:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
May 31st 8:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.**

St. Vincent de Paul will leave a truck in our parking lot for the weekend and it will be staffed by our Knights of Columbus. Please save used clothing, shoes and linens in any condition that you would like to donate. Please check out the bulletin board for more information.



**CWL MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, May 25th
at 7:00 pm**

To our CWL members and all the ladies of the parish...please join us for 'High Tea' to celebrate members receiving service pins for their milestone years of service in the League. Don't forget to wear a Spring Hat for our contest! Come join us for some fun and fellowship!

May 16/17 After All Masses

The Knights of Columbus invite all to join them after each Mass for some light refreshments in the parish hall. A wonderful time to be in community, unite and welcome new parishioners.



CASSEROLE COLLECTION


Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on May 16th/17th. Good Shepherd Ministries remain at the service of the poor and homeless of our city. Heartfelt thanks to those who have faithfully supported this program.



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